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TAGS: OVIP (ROBINSON, CHARLES E.)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON, APRIL 13-15

REF: AMMAN 2228

FOR CHARGE FROM PICKERING

1. THE OBJECTIVES OF ROBINSON VISIT ARE: (1) TO FAMILIAR-
IZE HIMSELF FURTHER WITH THE PROBLEMSAND PROSPECTS OF
JORDAN'S DEVELOPMENT IN THE SECTORS OF MINING, TRANSPORT,
AND AGRICULTURE (PARTICULARLY IRRIGATION AND WATER POTEN-
TIAL); AND (2) TO REAFFIRM OUR SUPPORTFOR JORDANIAN DEVELOP-
MENT EFFORTS.

2. IN DISCUSSIONS OF TRIP WITH ROBINSON WE HAVE AGREED
SO FAR THAT HIS VISIT MIGHT INCLUDE VISITS AND/OR
BRIEFING ON THE FOLLOWING: IRRIGATION PROJECTS IN THE
JORDAN VALLEY AND IN THE HIGHLAND/AZRAQ AREA, THE COPPER
MINE AT WADI DANA, THE PHOSPHATE MINES AT EL HASA AND
RUSEIFA, THE MAQARIN DAM PROJECT AND, IF TIME PERMITS THE
DEAD SEA POTASH AREA. HE SAW THE PORT OF AQABA ON LAST
TRIP. YOU MAY WANT TO CABLE THE DEPARTMENT FURTHER SUG-
GESTIONS FOR BRIEFINGS/ITINERARY.

3. YOU SHOULD HAVE EXTENSIVE BRIEFING BOOK PREPARED (WITH
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MAPS AND STATISTICS) ON VARIOUS TOPICS (IRRIGATION, WATER

POTENTIAL, PRESENT AVAILABILITIES AND FUTURE PLANS WITH
REGARD TO PRODUCTION OF COPPER, PHOSPHATE, POTASH,
FERTILIZER, TRANSPORT AND PORT DEVELOPMENT (PARTICULARLY
RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT OF MINERALS), ETC. EMBASSY
SHOULD CABLE DEPARTMENT BY COB MONDAY, APRIL 7 FOR RELAY
TO ROBINSON SUMMARY OF SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION ABOVE WHICH
HE SHOULD RECEIVE BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL IN AMMAN. INGERSOLL

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